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**EXPEDITED TREATMENT
ART GROUP 2613
PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No. 6435

Jin-Yi PAN

Art Unit: 2613

Application No.: 09/449,575

Examiner: Dzung D. Tran

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING DESTINATION TO SOURCE
PROTECTION SWITCH SETUP IN OPTICAL NETWORK TOPOLOGIES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
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January 5, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are submitted beginning on page 2.

Remarks are submitted beginning on page 15.

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